Town Council Meeting July 5, 2023

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order with all council members present, except Mr. Stump. Attorney Drinnon was absent also.

Under communications from citizens, White Pine librarian Sarah Beth Minton, asked the board to review a sketch of what they would like to paint on the side of the library next to the railroad. Jarrad Howcraft sketched the beautiful mural and he will get started as soon as the grant comes through for the library. Rick Stafford also stood and expressed his opinion on the ongoing sewer consent order and stated that if we add anything to the sewer line that it would be unethical.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Woods, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2023 public hearing.

On a motion from Mrs. Strom, second from Mr. Sinard, it was unanimously voted to approve the June 6, 2023 council meeting minutes.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mr. Sinard, it was unanimously voted to approve the June 20, 2023 public hearing minutes.

On a motion from Mr. Woods, second from Mr. Marshall, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the special called meeting.

On a motion from Mr. Sinard, second from Mr. Woods, it was unanimously voted to approve the surplus of the old sludge press.

On a motion from Mr. Sinard, second from Mr. Woods, it was unanimously voted to approve the painting of the mural on the side of the library, which is paid for by a grant issued to them.

Under police news, Chief Cotter said the July 4th parade went great and commended Mr. Morie and all the street guys who helped. Written fire reports were given as well.

Mr. Taylor informed the board about the Pine Meadows Subdivision final plat. Mr. Collier said they are waiting on the sewer line testing and it could be completed. Mr. Taylor added that he thought everything was clear but paperwork was not completed when testing was done. Mr. Marshall had concerns about the town taking over the roads and the special entrance of a stamped design and it should be excluded from the town's responsibility. A separate entryway is also included for commercial vehicles, and all construction workers would enter off Fred Sharp Road.

Mr. Morie gave the board a list of activities over the last month as well as an events calendar. So far only one person has expressed interest in serving on the recreation board. The notice will continue to run one more month on social media and can be voted on at the August meeting.

Mr. Collier gave reports for water and sewer. He informed the board that Path had came on June 27 to do some repairs to the digester. Employees are working on getting a permit to haul sludge to the landfill. The press has over 100,000 pounds this month. The department has fixed twelve leaks this month. Also, a new meter was put on the well so the water loss should be more accurate going forward.

Under street and sanitation, Mr. Collier reported that Melody Lane had been paved and High Street fixed. Prices were obtained for the LED placement of lights at Exit 4 and the storage unit has been completed for the steam engine as well.

Financial reports were given to the board that included all the end of fiscal year reports.

Pine Fest is moving along in the planning stage. More sponsors are being gracious and several more booths are coming in. The entertainment schedule is now complete and everyone is looking forward to a fun day.

Under new business Mr. Marshall asked the status of the building at the railroad. Chief Cotter spoke up and said he had talked to the family and they were talking about leaving the bottom floor intact possibly through grant funding. But they indicated the building would be coming down very soon.

On a motion from Mrs. Strom, second from Mr. Woods, it was unanimously voted to pay bills.

On a motion from Mr. Marshall, second from Mrs. Strom, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:20 pm.

Fred Taylor, Mayor

Alyson P. Susong, Recorder

Beer Board Meeting July 5, 2023

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order with all members present except for Mr. Stump. Attorney Drinnon was absent as well.

On a motion from Mr. Sinard, second from Mr. Woods, Ordinance #8-23, amending the beer ordinance, passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

On a motion from Mrs. Strom, second from Mr. Woods, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:21 pm.

Fred Taylor, Mayor

Alyson P. Susong, Recorder